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The Honorable Chairman and Members

Kekuanaoa Building, First Floor

October 21, 2009

of the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission

Dear Commissioners:

465 South King Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

> Subject: Docket No. 2008-0083 - Hawaiian Electric 2009 Test Year Rate Case Hawaiian Electric's Waiver of Cross-Examination of Mr. Stephen G. Hill

This will confirm that, if Mr. Stephen G. Hill, the Department of Defense's Cost of Capital witness, is unavailable to attend the evidentiary hearings in Honolulu for the reasons discussed at the Prehearing Conference (and does not orally testify by telephone or otherwise), then Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("Hawaiian Electric") will waive its cross-examination with respect to Mr. Hill's written testimony and information request responses filed to date in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

cc: Division of Consumer Advocacy Dr. Kay Davoodi, Department of Defense James N. McCormick, Department of Defense Theodore E. Vestal, Department of Defense Stacey Kawasaki Djou, Esq. Ji Sook (Lisa) Kim, Esq.